GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTARCT

Agriculture Department- A.P State Seed Certification Authority (APSSCA)— Procedure to be followed for the distribution of parental seed by Nodal Agencies — Orders — Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (AGRI-II) DEPARTMENT.

G.O.RT.No. 560 Dated: 13-09-2017
Read:

From the Director APSSCA, Guntur Lr No. SCA/Estt/127-Governing Board/2017, dated:08.09.2017.

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ORDER:

In the letter read above, the Director, Andhra Pradesh State Seed Certification Authority, Guntur has stated that the Governing Board of APSSCA in its 127th Ordinary General Meeting held on 25.7.2017 under regular Agenda item No.1 of the approved minutes of the meeting has resolved to evolve the procedures to be followed in the distribution of parental seed by the Nodal Agencies during Kharif 2017 and Rabi 2017-18 season. Accordingly the Chairman, APSSCA has constituted a committee with the following, to deliberate on the issue and evolve the guidelines.

1.	VC & MD APSSDC Ltd, Vijayawada.	:	Chairman
2.	Director of Research, ANGRAU	:	Member
3.	Addl. Director of Agriculture-I Office of the Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, AP, Guntur.	:	Member
4.	Regional Manager, NSC Ltd, Secunderabad.	:	Member
5.	Director, APSSCA, Guntur.	:	Member / Convenor

2. Accordingly, the above committee has met on 17.8.2017 and 30.8.2017 and the gist of the deliberations of the above committee are as follows.

During the course of the meeting introduction of new practices like Cooperative Farming, Contract Farming, Seed Village Programme etc were discussed in depth for development of sufficient quantity of quality seed availability to the farming community through effective parental seed distribution to the farmers and buy-back of the seed from the growers. Finally, the Committee recommended the following system for the forth-coming Rabi 2017-18 season.

- After taking the crop wise requirements from the Department of Agriculture for the forth coming Kharif 2018, the breeder seed production (B/S to RS) and foundation to certified seed production will be taken up in 12 villages.

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➢ A Committee will be formed with the following members to identify the villages across the districts of Kurnool, Kadapa and Srikakulam districts. The Committee will consists of

a)	Representatives from Department: of Agriculture	Assistant Director of Agriculture + Local Mandal Agriculture Officer
b)	Representatives of nodal agencies:	District Manager + Seed Officer
c)	Representatives from Seed: Certification Authority	SSCO + Seed Certification Officer
d)	Representative from ANGRAU :	University will nominate the Suitable Scientist

➢ The committee will identify the villages across the following divisions for Groundnut and Bengal Gram crops

Kurnool - Ground Nut and Bengalgram crop - 4 villages.
Nandyal - Bengalgram — 2 Villages
Kadapa - Ground Nut and Bengalgram — 4 Villages
Srikakulam — Ground Nut — 2 Villages.

- After identifying the above said villages the APSSDC Ltd and NSC Ltd will distribute the parental seed to the farmers duly following the prescribed procedures. The seed cost will be met by the nodal agencies initially and later the same will be reimbursed by the Department of Agriculture under Seed Village Programme / RKVY as the case may be.
- After distribution of seed to the farmers, and after sowings of the seed in the respective fields the same areas will be registered with APSSCA as per procedures in vogue.
- Accordingly, the APSSCA Staff will inspect the fields at required regular intervals as per the prescribed seed certification procedures along with the staff of nodal agencies and Department of Agriculture. Yield estimates will be prepared by the committee duly following the crop cutting experiments and accordingly seed will be purchased from the farmers. The purchase price will be determined as per the procedures of APSSDC Ltd., in vogue.
- Mobile processing units will be supplied to each village and after completion of processing samples will be drawn in the villages itself by the certification staff as per procedures.

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- Later seed will be shifted to the nearest storage point of nodal agency.
- Breeder seed to foundation seed will be taken up in a single village.
- Foundation seed to certified seed will be taken up in the remaining 11 villages.
- The committee will select the villages by considering the valuable points like assured irrigation homogenous crop stand, varietal suitability and adoptability etc.
- It is planned to organize the following varieties for seed production purpose.

S.No	Crop	Variety	Class	Acres	Parental seed required
1.	Groundnut	K 6	F/s	300	270 Qtls.
2.	Groundnut	K 6	C/s	1500	1350 Qtls.
3.	Bengalgram	JG 11	F/s	300	75 Qtls.
4.	Bengalgram	JG 11	C/s	1500	375 Qtls.

- It is also decided the register the above seed production areas through on-line registration with APSSCA.
- It is also decided to implement Geo-tagging for all the above seed production plots.
- The Geo-tagging and on-line registration activities will be continuously monitored by the team constituted.
- The above all activities will closely monitored by the team i.e., from seed to seed activity.
- Each village will be supplied with 3 (three) mobile processing units i.e., totally 36 units will be supplied for timely processing and sampling work.
- The cost of the above mobile processing units will be met by the Department of Agriculture.
- It is also prepared tentative time schedule to take-up seed production activities and it is as follows:

Identification of villages: 05.09.2017

Identification of farmers: 10.09.2017

Placement and distribution of parental seeds: 20.09.2017

Completion of sowings: Subject to village condition

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3. The Director, APSSCA, Guntur has, therefore, proposed to implement the above recommendation of the Committee from Kharif 2017 season and requested the Government to accord permission in this regard.

4. After careful examination of the above proposal, Government hereby accept the proposal submitted by the Director, APSSCA and direct the VC & MD APSSDC Ltd Vijayawada, Special Commissioner for Agriculture, AP, Guntur, Director of Research ANGRAU, Guntur and Regional Manager, NSC Ltd Secunderabad to implement the recommendations of the committee as mentioned supra from Rabi 2017-18 season in the distribution of parental seed by the Nodal Agencies to the farmers in Andhra Pradesh.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.RAJSEKHAR
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (AGRI) (FAC)

To
The Director APSSCA, Guntur.
The Special Commissioner for Agriculture, Guntur.
The VC & MD APSSDC Ltd, Vijayawada.
The Director of Research, ANGRAU, Guntur.
Copy to:-
The Regional Manager, NSC Ltd, Secunderabad.
P.S. to Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture.

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SECTION OFFICER